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Re: **Quendall Terminals Superfund Site, Renton, WA**
Response to Invitation to Negotiate Pre-Remedial Design ASAOC

Dear Claire and Ted:

Thank you for the presentation on November 10 regarding the proposed pre-Remedial Design study and for hosting the subsequent discussion among the PRPs. We also very much appreciate the continuing discussion regarding the involvement of Vertellus Specialties Inc. ("Vertellus") at the Quendall Terminals Superfund Site.

Please know that Vertellus has determined not to participate in funding or performance of the contemplated study. Among other reasons, Vertellus believes that the proposed work is fully within the scope of the 2006 RI/FS ASAOC executed by the Quendall Terminals JV parties (the site owners) and the assumption and indemnity obligations owed Vertellus by those same Quendall Terminal JV parties and their guarantors.

Please let me know if you wish to discuss by phone or have any questions.

Very truly yours,



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